

ORDINANCE No. 64.

An Ordinance Regulating Moving Travel and Traffic upon the Streets and Other Public Places of the City of Lodi and Providing a Punishment for any Violation Thereof.

The Board of Trustees of the City of Lodi do ordain as follows:-

DEFINING TERMS USED.

Sec. 1-The following terms whenever used herein except as otherwise specifically indicated, shall be defined to have, and shall be held to include each of the meanings hereinbelow respectively set forth, and any such terms used in the singular number shall be held to include the plural.

STREET. Every avenue, boulevard, highway, roadway, lane, alley, strip, path, square and place used by, or laid out for, the use of vehicles within the City of Lodi.

CURB. The lateral boundaries of that portion of a street, designed or intended for the use of vehicles, whether marked by curbing constructed of stone, cement, concrete, or other material, or not so marked,

VEHICLE. Every wagon, hack, coach, carriage, omnibus, push-cart, bicycle, tricycle, motor-bicycle, automobile, or other conveyance, except baby carriages and children's play-wagons, in whatever manner, or by whatever force or power the same may be driven, ridden or propelled, which is or may be used for, or adapted to pleasure riding, or transportation of passengers, baggage, merchandise or freight, upon any street; and every draft or riding animal, whether ridden, driven or led, excepting that an animal or animals attached to any vehicle, shall with such vehicle, constitute one vehicle; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to affect in any way the operations of railroads or street railways, upon any street, which said railroads or street-railways are expressly exempted from the provisions of this Ordinance.

MOVING For the purposes of this Ordinance the term "Moving Travel  
TRAVEL AND and Traffic" is intended to include vehicles in actual motion  
TRAFFIC and also those which may be at rest upon the streets and those  
which are at rest and intended or expected to soon again be  
in motion.

DRIVE CAREFULLY—CONSIDER OTHERS.

Sec.2- Every person riding, driving, propelling or in charge  
of any vehicle upon any of the streets, shall ride, drive or  
propel such vehicle upon such streets in a careful manner and  
with due regard for the safety and convenience of pedestrians  
and all other vehicles upon such streets.

TURN RIGHT. USE RIGHT SIDE OF ROAD.

Sec.3- Every person riding, driving, propelling, or in charge  
of any vehicle, upon meeting any other vehicle at any place upon  
any street, shall turn to the right, and, on all occasions when it  
is practicable so to do, shall travel on the right side of such  
street, and near the right-hand curb thereof, excepting when the  
right-hand side of street is obstructed by teams, building or  
other material, or when street is closed for repairs; in such  
case the travel shall be as far away from the left hand curb  
as possible so as to allow other vehicles to freely pass.

Sec.4- Every person riding, driving, propelling, or in charge  
of any vehicle upon any street having but two wheel tracks, or  
well-beaten paths for vehicles, is hereby required, when  
practicable, to turn to the right and to surrender the left  
track upon meeting any vehicle going in the opposite direction,

PASS TO THE LEFT.

Sec.5- Every person riding, driving, propelling, or in  
charge of any vehicle upon any street, shall, in overtaking  
any other vehicle, pass to the left of such vehicle, and the per-  
son in charge of such vehicle being so overtaken and passed  
shall give way to the extreme right to allow such vehicle to  
pass with safety.

**SLOW VEHICLES CLOSE TO CURB.**

Sec.6-Every person riding,driving,propelling,or in charge of any vehicle moving slowly upon any street shall keep such vehicle as close as possible to the curb on the right,allowing more swiftly moving vehicles free passage on the left.

**LOOK BEFORE YOU TURN.**

Sec.7-Every person riding,driving,propelling,or in charge of any vehicle upon any street,shall,before turning,stopping, or changing the course of such vehicle,first see that there is sufficient space,so that such movement can be made in safety and then shall give a plainly visible or audible sign,to persons in charge of such vehicles behind them,of their intention to make such movement,except when followed by rapidly propelled vehicles in which event no turn shall be made until such vehicle shall have passed on the left.

**RULES FOR TURNING INTO STREET.**

Sec.8-Every person riding,driving,propelling,or in charge of any vehicle upon any street shall,in turning to the right into another street,turn the corner as near the right hand curb as possible.

Sec.9-Every person riding,driving,propelling,or in charge of any vehicle upon any street,shall,,in turning to the left into another street,pass to the right<sup>of</sup> and beyond the center of the street intersection before turning.

**HEAD WITH THE TRAFFIC.**

Sec.10-Every person riding,driving,propelling,or in charge of any vehicle crossing from one side of any street to the other side thereof,shall make such crossing by turning to the left,so as to head in the same direction as the traffic on that side of the street toward which such crossing is made.

Sec.11-No person riding,driving,propelling,or in charge of any vehicle,shall stop the same upon any street with the left side of such vehicle toward,or along,the curb,or within twenty feet of a fire hydrant or street crossing.

Sec.12- No person riding,driving,propelling,or in charge

of any vehicle shall stop such vehicle upon any street except as close to the curb as practicable, unless such stop shall be made in case of emergency or for the purpose of allowing another vehicle or pedestrian to cross its path, and no vehicle shall remain in front of the front entrance to any business, house for longer than one hour.

**DON'T BACK TO CURB.**

Sec.13- No person riding, driving, propelling or in charge of any vehicle upon any street shall allow such vehicle to remain backed up to the curb, except when such vehicle is being actually loaded or unloaded, except as hereinafter provided.

**RIGHTS OF WAY.**

Sec.14- Every person riding, driving, propelling or in charge of any vehicle in moving on a street running in a general northerly and southerly direction shall have the right of way over vehicles going on streets running in a general easterly and westerly direction; and every person riding, driving, propelling or in charge of any vehicle going on such easterly and westerly streets shall allow such vehicles so going upon such northerly and southerly streets such right of way.

**SPECIAL VEHICLES-RIGHTS OF WAY.**

Sec.15- The officers and firemen of the Fire Department, and their apparatus of all kinds, when going to, or on duty at, or returning from a fire, and all ambulances, whether of a private or public character, and all other vehicles when employed in carrying sick or injured persons to hospitals or other places of relief or treatment shall have the right of way Over all vehicles or persons on any ~~st~~ street and through any procession, except other vehicles carrying the United States mail; and, when the Fire Department is responding to an alarm, all vehicles shall come to a standstill along the right curb in direction being travelled by such vehicles until the vehicles of the Fire Department shall have passed, and no vehicle shall stop on any cross streets excepting close to the curb and far enough away from the intersecting street to allow the vehicles of the Fire Department to safely turn.

KEEP FOUR FEET FROM STREET CARS.

Sec.16- Every person riding, driving, propelling, or in charge of any vehicle upon any street, shall keep such vehicles at least four feet ~~From~~ the running board or lowest step of ~~any~~ street car which is stopping for the purpose of taking on or discharging passengers; and if, by reason of the presence of vehicles at the place where such car is stopping, or by reason of the narrowness of the street, or for any other reason, it is not possible to preserve such distance of four feet from such running board or lowest step, as herein prescribed, then such person shall stop such vehicle until such car shall have taken on or discharged its passengers and again started.

Sec.17- Every person in charge of any draft animal attached to a vehicle backed up to the curb upon any street, shall turn and keep such animal turned at right angles to such vehicle and in the direction which the traffic upon that side of the street is moving.

AUTOS, ETC., MUST HAVE HORN OR BELL.

Sec.18- It shall be unlawful for any person to drive or propel any bicycle, tricycle, velocipede, motor bicycle, automobile or any other riding machine or horseless vehicle upon the streets without having attached to such bicycle, tricycle, velocipede, motor-bicycle, or automobile, a gong, bell or horn in good working order and of proper size and character sufficient to give warning of the approach of such vehicles to pedestrians, and to riders and drivers of other vehicles, and to persons entering or leaving the street cars. Said gong, bell or horn shall be of such size only as may be necessary to give such warning and shall not be sounded except when necessary to give such warning.

NO SIRENS OR LOUD HORNS,

Sec.19- It shall be unlawful for any person operating vehicles described within Section 18 of this Ordinance to use thereon, while traveling through the streets, any instrument for the purpose of giving a warning which shall produce a

sound of an unusually loud, annoying or distressing character, or such that will tend to frighten pedestrians or animals, it being the intention of this section to prohibit the use of so-called "Sirens" or similar instruments for the purpose of producing unusually loud, or distressing or annoying sounds.

Sec.20-It shall be unlawful for any person riding on the streets upon a bicycle or any similar vehicle, to travel so closely in the wake of any vehicle in such a manner as to imperil life or limb, or to travel so closely in the wake of said moving vehicle as not to give the following vehicle ample room in which to stop or turn out in case the preceding vehicle comes to a sudden stop.

#### RULES FOR AUTOMOBILE MOTORS.

Sec.21- It shall be unlawful for any person operating a self propelled vehicle upon the streets, to permit the motors of same to operate in such a manner as to visibly emit an unduly great amount of steam, smoke, products of combustion from exhaust pipes or other pipes or openings, or to operate or stand such vehicle upon the streets unless such vehicle is provided with some suitable appliance to prevent oil or gasoline from leaking upon the street.

#### KEEP MUFFLERS CLOSED.

Sec.22-It shall be unlawful for any person operating a self-propelled vehicle upon the streets to permit the pipes, "mufflers" or other devices, to emit the sounds of exhaust in a loud and annoying manner; it being the intention of this section to compel the operation of such self-propelled vehicles in as noiseless a manner as possible.

#### NO DRIVERS UNDER 18.-EXCEPTIONS.

Sec.23-It shall be unlawful for any person under the age of 18 years to operate upon the streets any automobile or other form of motor vehicle unless such person shall have procured a permit in writing for such privilege from the Board of Trustees of the City of Lodi; provided, however, that no permission

shall be granted to any person under 16 years of age; provided, further, that all persons to whom permits may, or have been granted must always carry such permits and present same for inspection to any regularly authorized officer or official of the City of Lodi when requested so to do; provided, further, that this section shall apply only to the drivers or operators of automobiles or other forms of motor vehicles.

Sec.24- It shall be unlawful for any person to drive upon the streets any unduly dangerous or partially "broken" animal or to use the said streets for the purpose of "breaking" animals, it being the intention of this section to define the words "broken" and "breaking" to the acts of accustoming animals to saddle and harness for the purpose of subjection.

LAMP ON MOTOR CYCLES.

Sec.25- It shall be unlawful for any person to operate upon the streets, during the period from one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise, any motorbicycle, or similar vehicle, unless said motor-bicycle or similar vehicle is provided with at least one lighted lamp showing a white light visible within a reasonable distance in the direction toward which such vehicle is proceeding.

PENALTIES PROVIDED FOR VIOLATIONS.

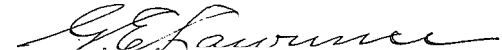
Sec.26-Any person who shall violate the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine not exceeding three hundred dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding three months, or by both such fine and imprisonment,

Sec.27-All ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Sec.28- This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an ordinance for the immediate preservation of the public, peace, health and safety, and shall take effect immediately after its passage, approval and publication.

Sec.29.- The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and approval of this ordinance, and shall cause the same to be published once in ~~The~~ Lodi Sentinel, a newspaper of general circulation printed and published in the City of Lodi.

I hereby approve **and sign** the foregoing ordinance this  
18th. day of November, 1912.

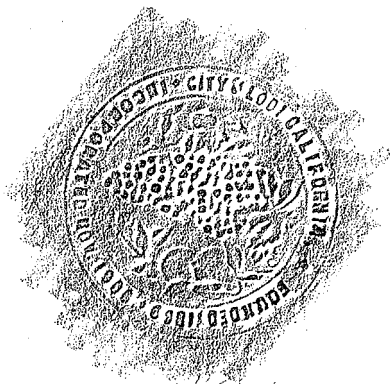
  
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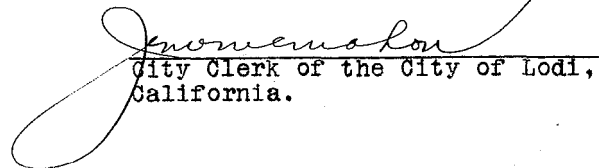
I, J.M. McMahon, City Clerk of the City of Lodi, do hereby certify that the foregoing ~~Ordinance~~ No. 64 was read **and** introduced for passage on Nov. 4, 1912, and was thereafter on Nov. 11, 1912, read **and** amended, and was thereafter on Nov. 18, 1912, duly passed **and** adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Trustees C.A. Black, J.M. Blodgett, F.O. Hale and G.E. Lawrence.

Noes: Trustee C.A. Rich. Absent: None.

And I further certify that said Ordinance NO. 64 was approved **and** signed by the President of the Board of Trustees ~~on~~ said 18th. day of November, 1912.



  
City Clerk of the City of Lodi,  
California.

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